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**Vision:** An Arizona that is as free as possible from the threat of wildfire through the restoration of landscapes, creation of fire adapted communities, and safe and effective wildfire response.

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## Mission

To manage and reduce fire risk to protect Arizona's people, communities, and wildland areas and to champion the health of Arizona natural resources.

## **Agency Description**

The Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management provides resources for the prevention and suppression of wildland fire on State Trust Land and private property located outside incorporated communities. The Department also provides services through strategic implementation of cooperative natural resource and fire assistance programs, development and support of statewide fire policies, and coordination of resources across all-lands and jurisdictions for fire prevention, urban and community forestry, forest stewardship, forest health, utilization and marketing, life safety and property conservation, and has a wide variety of grants available.

## **Executive Summary**

The strategic issues and strategies impacting the Department's success include:

- Increasing the effectiveness of its fuels mitigation and prevention programs to help reduce the impact of wildfires on communities, watersheds, and associated values.
- Increasing the effectiveness of fire response program to help reduce the numbers of primary residences impacted by wildland fire.
- Increase the initial pass rates of facilities inspected by the Office of the State Fire Marshals.
- Targeting its fuels and forest health program grants to high priority areas and programs.
- Increasing agency efficiency and customer service through the Arizona Management System.

All dollars in thousands		General Fund	Other Appropriated	Non-appropriated	Total
FY 2019 Enacted					
Goal 1	Funding Issue 1	2,000,000	0	0	2,000,000
Goal 4	Efficiency and Customer Service	0	0	10,000,000*	10,000,000
		0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	12,000,000
FY 2020 Request		\$	\$	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
	\$ Change	\$	\$	\$ 5,000,000 -	\$5,000,000
% Change				50%	42%

\*Temporary funds from the Budget Stabilization Fund for advanced federal reimbursements to cooperators for federal fires

## Department of Forestry and Fire Management

Goals	Goal Performance Indicators	Objectives FY 2019	
Reduce wildfire risk     to Arizona's people     and communities.		a) Decrease the percentage of residences destroyed by State jurisdictional wildfire by focusing hazardous vegetation removal program on communities at risk.	
	ole Acres burned each month.	b) Decrease the acres of state and private land impacted by wildfire through increasing acres treated to remove hazardous vegetation.	
	5.	c) Increase outreach in communities at risk.	
2. Perform building inspections, provide public education, and encourage compliance with fire protection codes.	ida	a) Increase public outreach and education regarding the state fire code.	
	compliance at the time of their fire inspection	b) Decrease the average months between Fire Marshal inspections for jurisdictional facilities.	
3. Provide timely financial reports.	Monthly closing complete	a) Implement monthly closing.	
	within 5 days after the	b) Implement monthly financial reporting.	
4. Increased Agency Efficiency and Customer Satisfaction.		a) Implement online invoice entry for cooperators.	
	Internal and external customers report increased satisfaction.	b) Streamline processes for agency personnel.	
	micreased satisfaction.	c) Customer service satisfaction surveys.	